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Dauphin Island

Who would have suspected that when the French landed on Dauphin in 1699 it would someday be one of the South's most beautiful and enchanting vacation spots? This is exactly what has happened and most of the development has occurred during the past two decades.

Until the Gordon Persons Overseas Highway was completed, Dauphin Island was accessible only by boat and this limited the number of people who could enjoy its many diversified recreation facilities. But today, after a short four mile drive from the mainland, one can travel the entire length of Dauphin Island by auto.

Literally thousands each year visit this "Island Paradise" to enjoy its crystal white beaches and refreshing, clear Gulf waters. One's imagination can just run wild! There is so much to do for recreation and enjoyment that if your vacation is only two weeks you'll wish it were twenty. Dauphin Island is literally a semi-tropical, leisurely Paradise . . . a primitive enough to stir the urge for adventure yet with all modern conveniences, including luxurious motels, apartments and clubs. There is a new eighteen-

Farm Briefs

Two summer seasons of overgrazing will eliminate kudzu except for vines that are beyond the reach of cattle.

A cow producing 7,835 pounds of milk and 307 pounds of 3 percent butterfat per year lately pays her way. She produces an income of about \$14 after all costs are subtracted.

Many landowners fail to measure their timber before selling and as a result often fail to receive full value for it. Every effort should be made to determine the volume and value of products to be removed.

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Check Snake's I.D. Before Lowering Boom

Wait . . . don't kill that snake yet.

First check on his standing in the community. What too many folks forget is that not all snakes are the bad sort. As a matter of fact, most of them aren't.

A few troublemakers like the copperhead, coral, water moccasin and the rattlers—timber, pigmy and diamondback—seem to give all the other snakes a bad name. It's an injustice.

Snakes and people just plain don't mix generally. But most snakes don't bother people in the least. Many get rid of rats, insects and other annoying pests around the home.

These helpful reptiles should be left alone and allowed to keep up their good work.

Only the bad boys should be done away with. And then only carefully.

If you've noticed a prowling rattler or some other poisonous snake around your home, here are OK methods of snake disposal:

First, try the safe approach. Kill the thing with out having to face him by applying heptachlor or dieldrin in either the spray or granule form about the house. That should either kill him outright or at worst drive him away.

Remember, confront a snake face to face only when there's no other way. And when there is no other way?

Take it easy. Keep in mind that a snake can usually strike at least twice his normal length. Use either a long stick to kill him, or — better still — a shotgun.

And make sure he's dead before you try to get near him.

YOUR Health
"Your Health" is presented by your physician as a health service of the Medical Association of the State of Alabama.

Color-Blind Child
The child wasn't backward or retarded, but color-blind. There are various types of deficiency in the ability to distinguish between colors. Such a child until he goes to kindergarten where the use of color is an important feature of training.

A child with a moderate or small amount of color-blindness is less likely to disclose this fault than the child with a marked defect. Those slightly affected demonstrate no real problem except when given a specified test.

Unrecognized color-blindness in a child can have an effect on his performance and attitude. Personality difficulties in the school child should prompt color-vision testing. Studies have shown that pupils referred to psychologists show an excess of behavior problems among the color-vision defective group, compared with other pupils of similar sex, age, school, and grade.

Review of the fact that one boy out of 17 has some degree of color-blindness, it seems reasonable that color-vision testing should be a routine part of pre-school examination.

Color-blindness affects only about one in 200 females. Color-blindness is a sex-linked recessive inheritance similar to hemophilia.

A child with unrecognized color-blindness often has a hard time and is misunderstood and criticized for slowness and backwardness.

Measles Vaccine

At long last there is vaccination against measles. Because over 90 percent of all children will at some time have measles, doctors have been awaiting such a vaccine. Just how it will be accepted and utilized by the public is debatable.

Many parents look on measles as one of those childhood diseases that everyone should get and get over, then forget. Unfortunately, measles is not that simple as secondary complications often accompany the disease. Bronchopneumonia, otitis media (inflammation of the middle ear), and encephalitis (brain inflammation), are possible complications.

Nearly all cases of measles occur among children under 15 and, particularly, afflict those between two and six years of age. Rarely do cases occur among adults.

There are two types of measles vaccine now available, and the physician will indicate which type is best for the individual child. The vaccine is administered to those children without a history of measles at nine months of age or as soon thereafter as possible. Because infants are born with some natural immunity to measles derived from the mother, measles vaccination need not be a consideration before nine months of age.

Immunization against measles is especially recommended for those children likely to be susceptible to the complications of the disease. Such children include those with tuberculosis, heart disease, asthma, and other chronic pulmonary diseases.

The general acceptance of measles vaccine calls for a determined educational campaign on the part of doctors treating children.

Populations of adult horn flies, stable flies and house flies are at their peak this time of year.

Horn flies and stable flies, depending on their number, can cut milk production five to 20 percent, and they also transmit diseases. And house flies present a health problem in the dairy barn as well as in the home.

Dairymen are reminded to remove all fly breeding sources, such as wet accumulations of feed, silage, straw and manure near the barn.

A good sanitation program and the use of recommended insecticides will control these insects.

But only certain insecticides can be used on dairy

farms and dairy cows. To assure residue free milk, have these recommendations.

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100 Years Ago

Bread Riots In Mobile

One hundred years ago this week, women in Mobile, hungry and ill-clad, staged a riot in the streets, carrying banners and claiming "Bread or Blood" on one side and "Bread and Peace" on the other.

Many of them wives of soldiers at the front, suffering from the ravages of the war, they gathered on the Spring Hill Road and armed with knives and hatchets, marched down Dauphin Street, breaking into stores to obtain articles of food and clothing which they needed.

Almost immediately following the demonstration, leading citizens of the city met to form the Confederate Society of Mobile for the purpose of alleviating such suffering and to set up an Executive Committee to try to fix prices.

Among the notable citizens present at the meeting were William T. Hamilton, a Presbyterian minister, and C. C. Langdon, editor of the Mobile Advertiser.

According to the account of the meeting later published in the Mobile Tribune, Langdon spoke out strongly against those who purchased blockade goods as well as those who sold them.

"If there should be a failure in the great cause, he is reported to have said, 'it will be the fault of those at home, not of the brave heroes who are now in the field fighting for it.'"

The newspaper account further indicated that Langdon stated "that not a single article of Yankee production should be allowed to land on our soil; that we ought to break up blockade running entirely, except on Government account, remarking that the women, who are ever ready and willing to help the great cause, would work and make our cloth and clothing."

Alabama producers and gin operators should make sure their employees don't carry wooden matches with them when picking cotton or working in the gin.

If they must carry matches they need to use the paper-backed safety type.

For grease spots on fabrics, put fabric face down on a blotter and sponge the back with cleaning fluid.

Homemakers can figure about 10 ounces of lean cooked meat from a pound of round steak.

The researchers found that advertised specials promoted by an individual market might cover about one third of the family's basic food budget.

Miss Overbey points out that food specials are usually chosen from foods most wanted by shoppers. So, there's a good chance the featured foods are already on the homemakers shopping list.

She also adds that not only can specials save money, but they may also help in providing varieties for family menus.

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Dixons To Visit In Elba

Mr. and Mrs. James C. Dixon, now of Stockton, California, will visit friends and acquaintances in Elba the last of this week.

Mr. Dixon was principal of the Elba City Schools about twenty-five years.

He will preach at the Elba Church of Christ Sunday, September 8th at both morning and evening services.

Mrs. Hocutt Guest At WMS Meeting

Mrs. Evelyn Hocutt was a guest of the Westside Baptist W.M.S. last Monday evening and gave a review of "The Life of Annie Armstrong."

The meeting was held at the church.

A delicious supper was enjoyed preceding the call to order. Mrs. J.A. Boutwell gave the invocation.

During the business session, conducted by Mrs. Ulma Mack, the nominating committee submitted the names of Mrs. J.B. Clark for president, Mrs. Mary Helms for vice president, and Mrs. Harold Moody for secretary.

They were unanimously elected.

Those present were Mrs. R.D. Harrison, Mrs. James Grimes, Mrs. Nelson Whitehurst, Mrs. Jimmy Homshy, Mrs. Wallace Beckler, Mrs. Hershel Taylor, Mrs. Rudolph Cook, Mrs. Darrell Hudson, Mrs. Dick Davis, Mrs. Billy Mickle, Mrs. Douglas Ellensburg, Mrs. Gerald Cook, Mrs. Milton Boutwell, Mrs. Randall Hudson, Mrs. John Gaten, Mrs. J.W. Moody, Mrs. Welby Bozeman, Mrs. Lamar Wilson, Mrs. Billy Ballard, and the others already named.

Don't Crop Off Lawn Soon After Vacation

Don't let your vacation just ruin your lawn. If you've just returned after two or three weeks and found the grass has grown ankle-high or higher, don't plow in and 'crop' it off to normal height in one day. Cutting off too much grass at one time can do serious damage to a lawn.

Never take off more grass than you leave. Mow back to normal height in gradual stages. Take an inch off the top, wait a few days and then mow off another inch.

Of course, the best plan is to make arrangements to have your lawn mowed while on your vacation.

For more information on the care of your lawn, contact your local county agent.

All-Purpose Matches Risky Around Cotton

During cotton harvesting season, one out of every three gin fires is caused by wooden, strike-anywhere matches.

Carelessly dropped into pick sacks or trailers, these matches are ignited by friction during the ginning process. These fires not only cause trouble at the gin, but smoldering lint—pressed unnoticed into a bale—may burst into flame hours later in a boxcar or a crowded cotton warehouse.

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